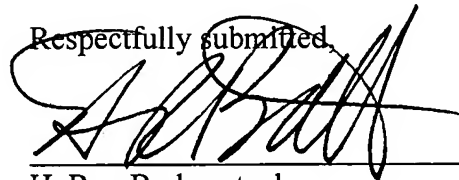


### REMARKS - General

By the above amendment, Applicant has amended the claims such that the application contains only claims allowed by the Examiner. Applicant submits that the claims are now in proper form, and that the claims all define patentably over the prior art. Applicant has additionally updated the information in the Cross Reference To Related References as required by the Examiner. Therefore, Applicant submits that this application is now in condition for allowance, which action is respectfully solicited.

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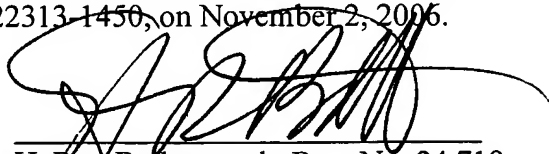
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